

House Resolution 105 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 105

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1 A Resolution supporting the federal Renewable Fuel
2 Standard through 2022.

3 WHEREAS, in accordance with the federal Energy
4 Policy Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-58, as amended
5 by the federal Energy Independence and Security Act
6 of 2007, Pub. L. No. 110-140, the United States has
7 demonstrated its commitment to the long-term policy of
8 increasing the domestic production of clean renewable
9 fuels according to a renewable fuel standard, referred
10 to as the "RFS"; and

11 WHEREAS, the RFS is the one of the single most
12 successful energy policies in our nation's history; and

13 WHEREAS, the RFS is a federal policy that requires a
14 minimum percentage of motor fuel sold in our nation to
15 contain renewable fuels; and

16 WHEREAS, under the RFS, renewable fuels have
17 access to a retail market in the face of a vertically
18 integrated petroleum market; and

19 WHEREAS, the RFS represents a congressional promise
20 to American biofuels producers, farmers, communities,
21 and investors that the blend levels of the RFS will
22 increase each year through 2022; and

23 WHEREAS, this congressional policy supporting the
24 RFS will continue to build the long-term capacity of
25 the renewable fuels industry and will encourage the
26 development of new types of clean fuels; and

27 WHEREAS, the RFS helps support over 73,000 jobs
28 in agriculture, biofuels production, and associated

1 businesses in Iowa; and

2 WHEREAS, the renewable fuels industry in Iowa
3 helps pay \$5 billion in wages annually to this state's
4 employment force; and

5 WHEREAS, renewable fuels create additional markets
6 for Iowa farmers with more than 47 percent of Iowa's
7 corn supply supporting ethanol production; NOW

8 THEREFORE,

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
10 That the Iowa House of Representatives calls upon
11 the Congress of the United States, the United States
12 Environmental Protection Agency, the President of the
13 United States, and this country's future President of
14 the United States and administration, to continue to
15 support the RFS through 2022 in order to encourage
16 American energy production and to strengthen rural
17 communities; and

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this
19 Resolution be sent to the President of the United
20 States, the Administrator of the United States
21 Environmental Protection Agency, the President and
22 Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and
23 Clerk of the United States House of Representatives,
24 and to the members of Iowa's congressional delegation.